

City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
Minutes

Wednesday, January 12, 2005
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84118

Attendance:

Mayor Janice Auger

Council Members:

Chairman Russ Wall
Vice-Chairman Morris Pratt
Council Member Bud Catlin
Council Member Les Matsumura

City Staff:

John Inch Morgan, City Administrator
John Brems, City Attorney-*Excused*
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
Gerry Orr, City Finance Director
Virginia Loader, City Recorder
Robin Kishiyama, Council Coordinator

Excused: Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach

Others: Katy Larsen, Jack Lucas, Jay Bollwinkle, John Tomrich, Richard Hepworth, Drew Cushing, Don Wiley, Mark Gardner

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

18:01:14 Chairman Russ Wall called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

1. Presentation Regarding Development Ideas for Taylorsville – *Jack Lucas*

18:01:41 Jack Lucas presented a letter and map to the Council and said that he is representing eight properties located on the North East corner of 1300 West and Winchester who are requesting consideration of the Planning Commission and the City Council to re-align the City boundaries to allow their property to be included in Murray City's boundaries. Mr. Lucas explained that the request is based on their ability to receive sanitary sewer services through Murray. Presently, the lack of sanitary sewer lines for their area requires the use of septic tanks

to deal with sanitary wastes for the residences. He further explained that Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District does not presently provide sanitary sewer service to the properties due to the availability of lines and slope of terrain. Murray City has existing sewer lines in Winchester that would service the residences without a great deal of difficulty. Mr. Lucas then asked for direction from the City Council.

18:06:15 Discussion was held among the City Council, Mayor and Mr. Lucas. During that discussion Council Member Matsumura reported on his discussions with Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District.

18:18:42 Mayor Auger recommended that two Taylorsville Council Members and two Murray City Council Members meet together to work this issue out. Chairman Wall appointed Council Members Les Matsumura and Jerry Rechtenbach to work on this issue. Mayor Auger said that she will contact Jan Wells at Murray City to schedule a time to meet.

Chairman Russ Wall requested that this item be placed on the February 2, 2005 agenda with an update from Council Members Matsumura and Rechtenbach

18:21:51 Mr. Lucas thanked the City Council and said that water is an issue that needs to be addressed at some time in the future.

2. Discussion of Future Bass Fishing Pond at Millrace Park – *John Inch Morgan, Jay Bollwinkel, Drew Cushing*

18:22:40 City Administrator John Inch Morgan explained that the Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) is prepared to commit \$150,000 towards a Bass Fishing Pond at Millrace Park. This matter has been previously discussed conceptually. DWR is also willing to sign a 20-year agreement to provide the fish population for the pond and the City is being asked to agree to maintain the fishing pond. Mr. Morgan relayed that the total cost of the pond is \$377,500 and DWR is requesting \$150,000 from Taylorsville City if they desire to pursue this project.

Mr. Morgan requested direction from the Council and input was provided by Jay Bollwinkel and Drew Cushing from DWR.

18:24:13 Jay Bollwinkel, MCB+A, presented and discussed a conceptual Master Plan for Bass Fishing Pond.

18:25:59 Richard Hepworth, Utah Division of Wildlife, then addressed the Council.

18:28:28 Questions and discussion from the City Council ensued.

18:37:58 Chairman Wall then addressed the City Council and asked them if they were in favor or opposed to a Bass Fishing Pond for the City.

Council Member Bud Catlin said that he is supportive of the concept.

Council Member Morris Pratt said that he is supportive of concept but he is concerned about continual maintenance costs.

Council Member Les Matsumura said that he is in favor.

Council Chairman Russ Wall said that he is in favor.

3. Discussion of Compensation Range for Statutory Officers and All Other City Employees – *John Inch Morgan*

18:39:17 Mayor Janice Auger opened discussion regarding an adjustment to compensation ranges to accommodate annual merit increases. The Mayor recommended approval of the Salary and Compensation Range provided in council packets at the December 15, 2004 meeting. She referenced results of a comprehensive salary survey of cities in Utah with a population over 30,000.

Mayor Auger recommended an increase to the Technical II category from \$48,000 to \$50,000 and to the Managerial category from \$85,000 to \$100,000 in order to allow for 2.5% increases to two employees in those compensation ranges.

18:42:36 Council Member Bud Catlin led discussion in regards to the in appropriateness of fringe benefits given to one employee over the other employees. Mayor Auger said that that fringe benefit will be discontinued but it has always been included as part of the City Administrator's compensation.

19:02:23 Lengthy discussion continued after which Council Chairman Russ Wall recommended that the salary and compensation range be approved, disapproved or that a desk audit be conducted. He also said that if, in the past, there has been money spent over the cap the Council needs to determine what action, if any, need to be taken in that regard. However, he asked that the Council be prepared to make a decision by the next City Council Meeting.

19:25:42 The following is the result of a straw poll as to conduct a Desk Audit or not.

Council Member Bud Catlin - No

Council Member Morris Pratt – No

Council Member Les Matsumura – No

Council Chairman Russ Wall - No

Council Chairman declared that a Desk Audit will not be conducted.

19:28:21 Following further discussion, Chairman Wall clarified that, in the future, salaries are to be listed separate from fringe benefits in order to give the City Council a clearer understanding.

**4. Presentation of Redevelopment Agency Authority, Powers and Potential Uses –
*Donald Adams***

19:29:00 City Economic Development Director Donald Adams presented information on the uses of Redevelopment Agencies and potential redevelopment projects within Taylorsville. He called for questions or comments from the Council.

19:37:26 Discussion was held and Mr. Adams explained that the Transfer of the City Center to the Redevelopment Agency would expedite the development of the City Center site. He said that the Redevelopment Agency has greater flexibility in the sale and development of land as opposed to a City.

19:40:41 Questions and comments from the City Council were then addressed.

19:46:43 Council Chairman Russ Wall requested that a resolution be presented to the City Council for their consideration in this regard.

5. Discussion of Disputed Property Line – Heritage Museum Property and Mr. and Mrs. Jones – *John Brems*

In view of City Attorney John Brems' absence, City Administrator John Inch Morgan briefed the Council on a dispute with Mr. and Mrs. Jones regarding the Heritage Museum property line.

19:46:53 Discussion was held and the City Council agreed that they should settle the property line dispute through a Quit Claim Deed. Chairman Wall requested that City Attorney John Brems prepare a contract for the Council's consideration.

6. Discussion of Future Programming Suggestions and Update on VTV – *Mayor Auger*

20:03:36 Mayor Janice Auger informed the Council that VTV (Channel 17) is now on the air. She explained that hours are set aside for Taylorsville and the City can designate any particular hours it wants. The Mayor briefed the Council on current programming plans and called for suggestions on possible future planning.

Council Chairman Wall directed Robin Kishiyama to write a letter to each committee advisor to remind them that we need input and suggestions for the TV channel.

20:08:20 Mayor Auger informed the City Council that her Administrative Assistant Cheryl Peacock is on fulltime family leave at this time so the Council should contact her directly.

7. Other Matters

20:08:46 Mayor Auger recommended that a capitol project brainstorming meeting be held prior to budget preparation meetings. Council Chairman Wall directed Robin Kishiyama to set up a meeting for that purpose.

8. Adjournment

20:09:45 Council Member Morris Pratt **MOVED** to adjourn the Work Session. Chairman Wall recognized Scout Troop 850. Council Member Les Matsumura **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Wall called for discussion. There being none, he called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Pratt-yes, Wall-yes, Matsumura-yes, Rechtenbach-yes, Catlin-yes. **All City Council Members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Virginia Loader, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 1-19-05